

Guidance and Counseling Services **DIGEST**

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Please forward this Digest to your colleagues.

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Our Vision: That all schools will have fully implemented Comprehensive Guidance and Counseling Programs that advance the academic, career, and personal/social development of all students.

Our Mission: To work collaboratively with counselor educators, the Missouri School Counselor Association, the Missouri Association for Career and Technical Education and other stakeholders to develop and provide resources and meaningful professional development that support professional school counselors and career services personnel in their efforts toward full implementation of their programs.

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Announcements

Resources and information provided in the Guidance Digest are for communication purposes only. Listing these resources and information does not constitute endorsement by either the Guidance and Counseling Services Section or the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

New Guidance Digest Distribution System

We are excited to announce that our Guidance and Counseling Section has partnered with MOREnet to offer a Guidance Listserv. This tool will enable school counselors and interested parties to have the Guidance Digest sent directly to their email address and will eliminate the need for a district contact person and our maintaining multiple distribution lists. During the next two months, as we transition to the Listserv, the Guidance Digest will continue to be sent through the current distribution system.

To subscribe to the Guidance Listserv go to <http://lists.mo.gov/mailman/listinfo/guidancelistserv> and follow the online directions. You will be asked to complete a form with your email address, name and password. As this is a closed Listserv, your request will be held for approval and you will be notified when accepted. The Guidance Listserv is intended to be used as a dissemination of information only and the "post a message" feature will be disabled. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Rene' Yoesel at rene.yoesel@dese.mo.gov

*If you want to receive the Guidance Digest after the October edition, you **MUST** personally register!*

DESE Guidance and Counseling Website

All guidance and counseling materials are now located on the DESE Guidance and Counseling website. The merge and transition of materials continues to be a work in progress. If you experience technical difficulties or broken links please contact Chris Coffman at Christopher.Coffman@dese.mo.gov.

Counselor Certification

If you are interested in becoming certified as a school counselor, have questions regarding the requirements to upgrade your certificate or need to know more about professional development requirements look no further than the DESE website. [Dese.mo.gov](http://dese.mo.gov) – Educator Certification – Student Services. <http://dese.mo.gov/educator-quality/certification/student-services>

Program Components

CURRICULUM

Updated Guidance Curriculum

The newly updated guidance curriculum has been posted to the DESE Guidance website. The Comprehensive Guidance and Counseling Program curriculum framework is organized around the three strands, Personal/Social Development, Academic Development, and Career Development. Unit and lesson plans address each of the K-12 guidance and counseling GLEs.

<http://dese.mo.gov/college-career-readiness/guidance-counseling/curriculum>

INDIVIDUAL STUDENT PLANNING

Missouri Connections

Missouri Connections Fall Workshops are now being held. There is no charge for the workshop, however pre-registration is required. To participate, attendees must have a Missouri Connections Staff or Site Administrator username and password. To Register go to www.missouriconnections.org If you have questions please contact Tom Schlimpert tom.schlimpert@dese.mo.gov or Jackie Coleman jcoleman@motrainer.com

Kansas City National College Fair

A FREE National College Fair is coming to Kansas City October 5th & 6th. There will be 150+ colleges and universities from all over the country. National College Fairs allow students to meet face-to-face with college admission representatives from a wide range of postsecondary institutions. Free college planning and financial aid workshops will also be held. Visit the www.nationalcollegefairs.org website for details and please email rob.lundien@nkschools.org for more information if you are planning to bring a bus of students.

RESPONSIVE SERVICES

Mandated Reporter

Missouri's Mandated Reporter requirements state that "All mandatory reporters shall, upon finding reasonable cause, directly and immediately report suspected child abuse or neglect." (Section 162.069.3 RSMo.) (Section 210.115 RSMo.) <http://missourikidsfirst.org/>

Resource Numbers

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline

1-800-273-TALK (8255) <http://www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org/>

Missouri School Violence Hotline

1-866-748-7047 <https://www.schoolviolencehotline.com/>

Missouri Child Abuse or Neglect Hotline

1-800-392-3738 <http://dss.mo.gov/cd/can.htm>

SYSTEM SUPPORT

Counselor Evaluation Update

Development of the new counselor evaluation instrument has begun this fall with plans for a voluntary pilot this Spring. After collecting feedback, refining the documents and process then developing implementation guidelines, the new evaluation instrument will be made available for the Fall 2015. In this transition period, it is still recommended that school counselors be evaluated with an instrument designed to address their unique program and job expectation.

Online College Database

The Online College Database provides future post-secondary students with the information they need, at no cost, to make informed decisions about where to attend college. The database team has created a guide to all 127 colleges in Missouri to include both two and four year schools. Factors such as enrollment size, tuition, gender ratio, student to faculty ratio, campus setting, acceptance rate and ROTC availability is included for each college. Access the Online College Database at:

<http://www.onlinecollegesdatabase.org/online-colleges-in-missouri/>

RED Ribbon Week 2014

Red Ribbon Week is October 23-31, 2014.

ACT Missouri is a not-for-profit organization funded by the Missouri Department of Mental Health and established to promote drug and alcohol awareness throughout Missouri. Do you need ideas for your Red Ribbon Week celebration or are you interested in learning more about the MYAA annual art contest?

Check out the information provided at www.actmissouri.org

SAMHSA

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration is offering a free mobile app, KnowBullying, to help initiate meaningful conversations with children regarding Bullying.

[SAMHSA's Bullying Prevention App | SAMHSA.gov](http://www.samhsa.gov/bullying-prevention) For more information on the prevention of Bullying and what you can do, check out the information at <http://www.stopbullying.gov>

Conferences and Professional Development Opportunities

Guidance System of Support

The Missouri Guidance System of Support (GSOS) is a collaborative state-wide initiative designed to support all K-12 counselors in fully implementing a Comprehensive Guidance and Counseling Program.

Mark your Calendar to attend your regional GSOS professional development meeting. The Fall meeting focus will be to “Reflect, Collaborate, Act – Moving Your Program Forward” focusing enhancing your K-12 Individual Student Planning Process (this includes elementary!).

Support your profession!

Be part of this valuable Professional Development opportunity!

Please check out the following website for the program overview and register.

<http://dese.mo.gov/college-career-readiness/guidance-counseling/guidance-elearning/guidanc-8>

GSOS Meeting Information

Region 1 (Charlene Piel)

- October 14 (Tuesday), 8:30 - 11:30 am - North Central Career Center, Bethany
- October 15 (Wednesday), 8:30 - 11:30 am - Carrollton Area Career Center, Carrollton
- October 16 (Thursday), 8:30 - 11:30 am - Grand River Technical School, Chillicothe
- October 22 (Wednesday), 8:30 - 11:30 am - Northwest Technical School (Room 2), Maryville
- October 29 (Wednesday), 8:30 - 11:30 am - Hillyard Technical Center (Room 103), St. Joseph

Region 2 (Susan Hazen)

- September 19 (Friday), 9:00 am - 12:00 pm -- Linn County Area Career & Technical Center, Brookfield
- September 23 (Tuesday), 9:00 am - 12:00 pm -- Hannibal Career and Technical Center, Hannibal
- September 30 (Tuesday), 12:30 - 3:30 pm -- The Advanced Technology Center, Mexico
- October 2 (Thursday), 9:00 am - 12:00 pm -- Lincoln University - Scruggs Student Center Ballroom, Jefferson City Note: Lunch provided by Lincoln University. MMSCA meeting 1:00 - 2:30 pm *For Boone, Audrain, Warren, Lincoln, Calloway, Montgomery and Pike Counties*
- October 10 (Friday), 9:00 am - 12:00 pm -- Moberly Area Community College Career Center, Room C42, Moberly
- April 4 (Friday), 9:00 am - 12:00 pm -- Macon Area Career and Technical Center, Macon
- March 28 (Friday), 9:00 am - 12:00 pm -- Kirksville Area Technical Center, Kirksville

Region 3 (Lori Mann)

- September 24 (Wednesday), 8:30 am – 11:30 am - Lex La-Ray Technical Center, Lexington
- October 1 (Wednesday), 8:30 am – 11:30 am - Excelsior Springs Area Career Center
- October 15 (Wednesday), 8:30 am – 11:30 am - Warrensburg Area Career Center
- October 21 (Tuesday), 8:30 am – 11:30 am - Cass Career Center, Harrisonville
- October 23 (Thursday), 8:30 am – 11:30 am - Northland Career Center, Platte City
- October 29 (Wednesday), 8:00 am – 11:30 am - Manual Career & Technical Center, Kansas City *Note: Meeting is 8:00 - 11:30 am
- November 11 (Tuesday), 8:30 am – 11:30 am - The Career & Technology Center at Fort Osage, Independence
- December 5 (Friday), 11:30 am – 2:30 pm - Herndon Career Center, Raytown *Note: Meeting is 11:30 am - 2:30 pm

Region 4 (Janet Bagby)

- September 30 (Tuesday), 12:00 - 3:00 pm - Boonslick Technical Education Center, Boonville
- October 2 (Thursday), 12:30 - 3:30 pm State Fair Career and Technical Center - Heckert Bldg. Thompson A, Sedalia Note: CMSCA meeting begins at 10:00 am. Lunch provided by State Fair Career and Technical Center.
- October 2 (Thursday), 9:00 am - 12:00 pm - Lincoln University - Scruggs Student Center Ballroom, Jefferson City Note: Lunch provided by Lincoln University. MMSCA meeting 1:00 - 2:30 pm
- October 10 (Friday), 9:00 am - 12:00 pm - Saline County Career Center, Marshall Note: Breakfast provided prior to meeting by Saline County Career Center.
- October 16 (Thursday), 12:30 - 3:30 pm – Lake Career and Technical Center, 29 Dare Blvd, Camdenton

Region 5 (Tonya DeGonia)

- September 25 (Thursday), 9:00 am - 12:00 pm - Jefferson College, Viking Room *Note: Meeting is combined with District Counselor meeting.
- September 30 (Tuesday), 8:30 - 11:30 am - Mineral Area College, North College Center
- October 3 (Friday), 8:30 - 11:30 am - Cape Career & Technology Center, Multipurpose Room
- October 10 (Friday), 8:30 - 11:30 am - Four Rivers Career Center, Washington, Health Room
- November 14 (Friday), 8:30 am – 11:30 am – First Baptist Church, Dexter (Combined meeting with Region VII)

Region 6 (Michele Charlebois-Didreckson)

- September 25 (Thursday), 8:30 am - 2:30 pm -- Ozark Mountain Technical Center, Mountain Grove (HS Media Center) *(Lunch and Work Session included)*
- October 1 (Wednesday), 8:30 am - 12:00 pm -- Waynesville Career Center, Waynesville (Meeting Room) *Combined meeting with Lebanon Career & Technology Center*
Work Session - 12:45 - 2:45 pm *(Lunch provided for those staying for work session.)*
- October 22 (Wednesday), 9:00 am - 2:30 pm -- Dallas County Technical Center, Louisburg (Conference Room), *(Lunch & Work Session included)*
- December 3 (Wednesday), 8:15 am - 12:00 pm -- Ozarks Technical Community College, Springfield (Lincoln Hall Room 211)
Work Session - 1:00 - 3:00 pm *(Lunch provided for those staying for work session.)*

Region 7 (Becki Shrum)

- October 3 (Friday), 8:30 - 11:30 am -- Cape Girardeau Career and Technology Center (Computer Lab) *Meeting combined with Region V*
- October 17 (Friday), 9:00 am - 12:00 pm -- Current River Career Center, Doniphan (Computer Lab)
- October 21 (Tuesday), 9:00 am - 12:00 pm -- Kennett High School, Dunklin County (Board Room)
- October 23 (Thursday), 9:00 am - 12:00 pm -- Sikeston Career & Technology Center (Pit Stop Café)
- October 30 (Thursday), 9:00 am - 12:00 pm -- South Central Career Center, West Plains (Thornburgh Campus - Computer Conference Room)
- November 7 (Friday), 8:30 am - 11:30 pm -- Poplar Bluff R-1, Poplar Bluff (Central Office - Missouri Room)
- November 14 (Friday), 8:30 am – 11:30 am – First Baptist Church, Dexter (Combined with Region V)

Region 8 (Tammy Blaylock)

- October 16 (Thursday), 9:00 am - 12:00 pm - Crowder College Technical Education Center, Farber Building, Wright Conference Center, 2nd Floor, Neosho
- October 22 (Wednesday), 9:00 am - 12:00 pm - Clinton Technical Center, Clinton
- October 28 (Tuesday), 9:00 am - 12:00 pm - Scott Regional Technology Center, Amphitheater, Monett - 12:00 - 2:00 pm Lunch and JROTC activities
- October 30 (Thursday), 9:00 am - 12:00 pm - Lamar Career and Technical Center @ First Christian Church, 1208 Walnut, Lamar
- November 10 (Monday), 9:00 am – 12:00 pm – Carthage Technical Center – South Campus, 1110 East Airport Drive, Carthage
- November 13 (Thursday), 9:00 am - 12:00 pm- Nevada Regional Technical Center, Nevada
- TBA - Franklin Technology Center - 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Region 9 (Micheline Moeller)

- October 2 (Thursday), 1:00 - 3:00 pm -- Neuwoehner High School - Special School District, 12112 Clayton Rd, St. Louis
- October 3 (Friday), 8:30 - 11:30 am -- STLCC - Forest Park Campus, 5600 Oakland Ave, St. Louis Note: For St. Louis Public Schools only
- October 9 Thursday, 8:30 - 11:30 am -- EducationPlus, 1460 Craig Road, St. Louis
- October 15 (Wednesday), 8:30 - 11:30 am -- Brittany Woods Middle School, 8125 Groby Rd, University City - Library Conference Room
- October 23 (Thursday), 8:30 - 11:30 am -- Lewis & Clark Career Center, 2400 Zumbuhl Rd, St. Charles
- October 29 (Wednesday), 8:30 - 11:30 am -- Rogers Middle School, 7550 Mackenzie Rd, Affton

Guidance System of Support

Building Guidance and Counseling Programs That Impact Lives and Performance

Community Services Summit

The 16th Annual Community Services Summit will be held on October 28, 2014, in St. Peters, MO. The Summit is a day-long series of workshops designed to build stronger community through professional connections. The Community Services Summit will focus on how the community works together to share resources and practical ideas to tackle critical issues. There will be an extensive exhibit hall highlighting key resources in the community as well as a keynote address and thought-provoking, useful, skill-building sessions. The Community Services Summit provides professionals valuable resources and information on the topics most critical to working with children and families today.

<http://www.communitycouncilstc.org/events/community-services-summit>

Missouri Safe Schools and Colleges Conference

September 23-25 Tan-Tar-A

[Missouri Center for Ed Safety website](#)

Missouri Mental Health Counselors Association

September 25-27 Inn at Grand Glaize, Lake of the Ozarks.

See their [website](#) additional information and registration information.

Missouri School Counselor Association (MSCA) Fall Conference

November 2-4 Tan-Tar-A

This year's theme is: Instilling Hope. See the [MSCA Website](#) for more information

Missouri Association for Career Services (MACS) Fall Conference

September 18-19 Columbia

For registration information contact Stacie Wild at 660.596.7256 or swild@sfccmo.edu

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